

City of Long Beach

Employee VIP Suggestion Program

GOLD AWARDS

As of 04/27/2001

Suggestor(s)	Department	Suggestion	Estimated Award
2000			
Dennis Rambeau	Public Works	Create a Noise Violations Editor in-house.	City Savings of \$25,786.00 Gold Award of \$2,578.60
Diane Sorensen	Technology Services	Alternative plan to comply with new UPS bar code requirements.	City Savings of \$1,928.00 Gold Award of \$192.80
Bill Joder	City Clerk	Eliminate signature verification of absentee ballot requests.	City Savings of \$66,245.00 Gold Award of \$5,000.00 (Maximum Award Amount)
Constantin Popescu	Technology Services	Create modification for Gas dept. radios to comply with new FCC requirements instead of replacement.	City Savings of \$134,000.00 Gold Award of \$5,000.00 (Maximum Award Amount)
1998			
Randy Riesgo	General Services	Order generic part instead of Motorola part to increase memory capabilities in Fire dept. radio system units.	City Savings of \$6,065.00 Gold Award of \$606.50
Greg Macy/ Lew Prather	Public Works	Eliminate utility billing mailings to City depts. since depts. receive monthly account summary reports.	City Savings of \$5,242.74 Gold Award of \$524.27 (Award Amount divided between suggestors)
1997			
Frank Wesley	Water		City Savings of \$4,432.83 Gold Award of \$443.28

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1996			
Guy Wayne	General Services	Researched problem with microcomputers and discovered solution that allows repair of rack chargers instead of replacing them.	City Savings of \$64,751.00 Gold Award of \$5,000.00 (Maximum Award Amount)
Deborah Wright/ Bill Joder	City Clerk	New method of delivering election supplies.	City Savings of \$42,194.00 Gold Award of \$4,219.40 (Award Amount divided between suggestors)
John Seevers	General Services	Rebuild and reinforce Sunbelt Side Loader Arm assembly instead of replacing whole arm.	City Savings of \$74,348.40 Gold Award of \$7,434.84
Mark Roberts	General Services	Replace vendor switch in Integrated Side Loaders with more reliable switch.	City Savings of \$22,397.14 Gold Award of \$2,239.71
1995			
Amos Carter	General Services	Install timer in police cars to shut off all electrical equipment after one hour to prevent dead batteries.	City Savings of \$59,908.60 Gold Award of \$5,000.00 (Maximum Award Amount)
Dale Hutchinson	Health & Human Services	Purchase pharmaceuticals direct from manufacturer or through vendor chargeback system.	City Savings of \$229,776.00 Gold Award of \$5,000.00 (Maximum Award Amount)
Rick Forstall/ Jeff Edwards	Parks, Rec & Marine	Purchase water testing equipment and eliminate outside testing.	City Savings of \$14,544.00 Gold Award of \$1,454.00
Rick Forstall/ Jeff Edwards/ Jim Richards/ Doug Pearce	Parks, Rec & Marine	Construct and deploy debris curtain across mouth of Shoreline Marina entrance.	City Savings of \$50,360.00 Gold Award of \$5,000.00 (Maximum Award Amount divided among suggestors)

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Linda Young	Parks, Rec & Marine		City Savings of \$1,000.00 Gold Award of \$100.00
Mike Little	Parks, Rec & Marine		City Savings of \$11,469.00 Gold Award of \$1,146.90
Jim Cool Jim Curry	Water		City Savings of \$23,071.00 Gold Award of \$2,307.10
Frits Roosen	Water		City Savings of \$22,528.00 Gold Award of \$2,252.80
1994			
Yolanda Duran/ Nicole Velasquez	General Services	Change mailing procedures for lien sale notifications.	City Savings of \$20,000.00 Gold Award of \$2,000.00
Nenita Catipon	Financial Mgmt	Reduce lag time between receipt of mail-in payments and posting to mainframe.	City Savings of \$16,917.22 Gold Award of \$1,691.72
Albert LeBouton	Public Works	Reduce advertising for Notice Inviting Bids (NIBs) over \$50,000 to minimum requirements	City Savings of \$3,428.80 Gold Award of \$342.88
1993			
William Lopresti	Public Works	Purchase coin counter machine so coins can be separated and verified prior to sending to the bank.	City Savings of \$9,090.00 Gold Award of \$909.00
1992			
David White Chris Wyatt	Gas		City Savings of \$25,000.00 Gold Award of \$2,500.00
Karen D'Angelis	Planning & Building		City Savings of \$2,858.00 Gold Award of \$285.80

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William Porter	Police		City Savings of \$3,213.00 Gold Award of \$321.30
1991			
Stephen Borst	Police		City Savings of \$64,000.00 Gold Award of \$5,000.00 (Maximum Award Amount)
Jeanette Effinger	Fire		City Savings of \$24,000.00 Gold Award of \$2,400.00
George Lapihuska	Planning & Building		City Savings of \$90,000.00 Gold Award of \$5,000.00 (Maximum Award Amount)
Mel Hooper	General Services		City Savings of \$26,699.00 Gold Award of \$2,669.00
1990			
Roy Johnson John Kunkle	General Services		City Savings of \$7,000.00 Gold Award of \$350.00 (Award Amount divided between suggestors)
David McCarty	General Services		City Savings of \$20,000.00 Gold Award of \$2,000.00
1989			
Rita Hooker	Public Works	Change electric rate schedule for Civic Center complex.	City Savings of \$35,000.00 Gold Award of \$3,500.00